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Item 2 of the provisional agenda*
**Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters**

## Organization of the work of the session

### Note by the Secretariat

1. The proposed organization of work for the thirty-sixth session of the Statistical Commission (see annex) has been prepared pursuant to relevant decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council in order to facilitate the consideration of agenda items within the time and services allocated to the Commission.

2. The first meeting of the thirty-sixth session of the Commission will be convened on Tuesday, 1 March 2005, at 10.30 a.m. Facilities will be available for two formal meetings each day. Morning meetings will be held from 10 a.m. (10.30 a.m. on Tuesday only) to 1 p.m.; afternoon meetings from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. The session will conclude on Friday, 4 March 2005, at 1 p.m.

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# Annex

## Proposed organization of work

| *Date/time* | *Agenda item and documentation* | | *Proposed time to be spent on each item (hours)* |
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| **Tuesday, 1 March** | | | |
| **Morning (10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.)** | | **Opening of the session** | **0.5** |
| | **Item 1** | **Election of officers** | |
| | **Item 2** | **Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters** | |
| | | *For discussion* | |
| | | **Provisional agenda and annotations (E/CN.3/2005/1)** | |
| | | **Note by the Secretariat on the organization of the work of the session (E/CN.3/2005/L.1)** | |
| | | *For information* | |
| | | **Note by the Secretariat on the state of the preparation of documentation for the session (E/CN.3/2005/CRP.1)** | |
| | **Item 3** | **Follow-up to policy decisions of the Economic and Social Council: working methods of the Statistical Commission** | **1.0** |
| | | *For discussion* | |
| | | **Report of the Bureau of the Commission (E/CN.3/2005/2)** | |
| | **Item 4** | **Economic statistics** | |
| | **Item 4 (a)** | **Programme review: energy statistics** | **1.0** |
| | | *For discussion* | |
| | | **Report of Statistics Norway (Programme Reviewer) (E/CN.3/2005/3)** | |
| **Tuesday, 1 March (*continued*)** | | | |
| **Afternoon (3-6 p.m.)** | **Item 4 (b)** | **National accounts** | **1.25** |

| Date/time | Agenda item and documentation | | Proposed time to be spent on each item (hours) |
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| | | *For discussion* | |
| | | Report of the Intersecretariat Working Group on National Accounts (E/CN.3/2005/4) | |
| | Item 4 (c) | Service statistics | 0.75 |
| | | *For discussion* | |
| | | Report of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (E/CN.3/2005/5) | |
| | Item 4 (d) | Statistics of international trade in services | 0.25 |
| | | *For information* | |
| | | Report of the Task Force on Statistics of International Trade in Services (E/CN.3/2005/6) | |
| | Item 4 (e) | International Comparison Programme | 0.25 |
| | | *For information* | |
| | | Report of the World Bank (E/CN.3/2005/7) | |
| | Item 4 (f) | Price statistics | 0.25 |
| | | *For information* | |
| | | Report of the Ottawa Group on Price Indexes (E/CN.3/2005/8) | |
| | | Report of the Intersecretariat Working Group on Price Statistics (E/CN.3/2005/9) | |
| | Item 4 (g) | Informal sector statistics | 0.25 |
| | | *For information* | |
| | | Report of the Delhi Group on Informal Sector Statistics (E/CN.3/2005/10) | |
| **Wednesday, 2 March** | | | |
| Morning (10 a.m.-1 p.m.) | Item 5 | Demographic and social statistics | |
| | Item 5 (a) | Population and housing censuses | 1.5 |
| | | *For discussion* | |
| | | Report of the Secretary-General (E/CN.3/2005/11) | |

| *Date/time* | *Agenda item and documentation* | | *Proposed time to be spent on each item (hours)* |
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| | Item 5 (b) | **Health statistics** | 1.0 |
| | | ***For discussion*** | |
| | | **Report of the World Health Organization (E/CN.3/2005/12)** | |
| | Item 5 (c) | **Poverty statistics** | 0.25 |
| | | ***For information*** | |
| | | **Report of the Secretary-General (E/CN.3/2005/13)** | |
| | Item 5 (d) | **Disability statistics** | 0.25 |
| | | ***For information*** | |
| | | **Report of the Washington Group on Disability Statistics (E/CN.3/2005/14)** | |
| **Wednesday, 2 March** (*continued*) | | | |
| Afternoon (3 p.m.-6 p.m.) | Item 6 | **Natural resources and environment statistics** | |
| | Item 6 (a) | **Environmental accounting** | 0.75 |
| | | ***For discussion*** | |
| | | **Report of the Secretary-General (E/CN.3/2005/15)** | |
| | Item 6 (b) | **Environment statistics** | 0.25 |
| | | ***For information*** | |
| | | **Report of the Intersecretariat Working Group on Environment Statistics (E/CN.3/2005/16)** | |
| | Item 7 | **Activities not classified by field** | |
| | Item 7 (a) | **Statistical capacity-building** | 1.5 |
| | | ***For discussion*** | |
| | | **Report of the Secretary-General (E/CN.3/2005/17)** | |
| | | **Report of the Partnership in Statistics for Development in the Twenty-first Century (PARIS 21) (E/CN.3/2005/18)** | |
| | Item 7 (b) | **International economic and social classifications** | 0.25 |
| | | ***For information*** | |
| | | **Report of the Secretary-General (E/CN.3/2005/19)** | |

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| | Item 7 (c) | Indicators for follow-up to United Nations conferences<br>*For information*<br>Report of the Secretary-General (E/CN.3/2005/20) | 0.25 |
| **Thursday, 3 March** | | | |
| Morning<br>(10 a.m.-1 p.m.) | Item 7 (d) | Presentation of statistical data and metadata<br>*For information*<br>Report of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (E/CN.3/2005/21) | 0.25 |
| | Item 7 (e) | Common open standards for the exchange and sharing of data and metadata<br>*For information*<br>Report of the Task Force to Establish Standards on Data and Metadata Exchange (E/CN.3/2005/22) | 0.25 |
| | Item 7 (f) | Information and communication technologies statistics<br>*For information*<br>Report of the Partnership on Measuring Information and Communication Technologies for Development (E/CN.3/2005/23) | 0.25 |
| | Item 7 (g) | Coordination and integration of statistical programmes<br>*For information*<br>Report of the Committee for the Coordination of Statistical Activities (E/CN.3/2005/24) | 0.25 |
| | Item 7 (h) | Programme questions (United Nations Statistics Division)<br>*For discussion*<br>Note by the Secretariat (E/CN.3/2005/25) | 1.0 |
| **Thursday, 3 March**<br>(*continued*) | | | |
| Afternoon | | No formal Commission meeting<br>Informal seminar to be announced | |

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| **Friday, 4 March** | | | |
| Morning (10 a.m.-1 p.m.) | Item 8 | **Provisional agenda and dates for the thirty-seventh session of the Commission** | 1.0 |
| | | *For discussion* | |
| | | **Note by the Secretariat containing the provisional agenda and dates for the thirty-seventh session of the Commission (E/CN.3/2005/L.2)** | |
| | | **Note by the Secretary-General containing the draft multi-year programme of work of the Commission (E/CN.3/2005/26)** | |
| | Item 9 | **Report of the Commission on its thirty-sixth session** | 2.0 |
| | | *For discussion* | |
| | | **Draft report of the Commission on its thirty-sixth session (E/CN.3/2004/L.3 and addenda)** | |
| | | **Closing of the session** | |